

APSRC Announces Digital Learning Opportunity

The Arkansas Public School Resource Center (APSRC) is pleased to announce that it is the recipient of a competitive ADE digital learning grant that will allow us to enhance our Digital Learning Provider program.

This funding will allow us to expand availability, efficiency and quality of digital learning at a decreased cost to schools.

It is our goal to provide a focused set of quality digital courses to schools, empower students, and improve academic outcomes. This grant will allow us to serve up to 2,250 students. Our focus will be on digital coursework designed for:

- Remediation and credit recovery
- Shortage areas, foreign language and Career and Technical Education
- Core
- Character education focusing on counselor resources

We believe that digital courses can become a tool to address students who need a student-centered learning model where the content, method, and pace of learning are differentiated based on the student's level of readiness. We believe digital learning has the potential to accelerate and deepen learning for all students. We believe we have established a model for digital learning delivery that meets the requirements for implementation state-wide based on our design that:

- Creates a state-wide digital network providing better quality, better delivery, better access, better equity, and better educational opportunities;
- Establishes a rigorous digital curriculum that is individually designed to meet student's learning needs;
- Provides resources to address increased digital coursework resulting in personalization of learning in geographically isolated regions of our state by expanding access;
- Develops course designs, technology, and tutorial support that enables access for all students 24 hours a day 7 days a week while allowing a year to complete the course for credit; and
- Implements a plan that provides support for educators as they transition to a personalized learning environment.

APSRC has established a tiered pricing system to prioritize the use of the Digital Learning Provider Grant funds. The specific costs to the school district for each category of digital coursework is:

\$25	Remediation and Credit Recovery
	Character Education
\$50	Shortage areas, Foreign Language, and CTE
\$80	Core

To review a list of the digital course offerings, please click here<<https://www.apsrc.net/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Digital-Course-Offerings-for-Grant-2019.pdf>>.

APSRC is excited to establish this new partnership with the Arkansas Department of Education and we look forward to creating a statewide commitment to the use of digital coursework to enhance local school efforts to meet the standards and provide high-quality educational opportunities.